

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L PEKING 2181

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SREF SHUM ET CH HK US UK

SUBJ: ETHIOPIANS IN PRC REQUESTING ASYLUM

REF: HONG KONG 8469 AND PREVIOUS

1. ETHIOPIAN STUDENTS DEPARTED PEKING FOR CANTON AND SHUM CHUN BY TRAIN AT 2055 HRS TUESDAY, JULY 18, 1978. THEY EXPECT TO ARRIVE IN HONG KONG AROUND NOON, THURSDAY, JULY 20. THEY EXPECT TO GO DIRECTLY TO THE CONSULATE GENERAL TO DISCUSS THEIR PLANS WITH CONSEC A/CHIEF ANDERSON. THEY CLAIM TO HAVE A LITTLE MONEY, RAISED MOSTLY BY SELLING THEIR PERSONAL POSSESSSIONS DRECTLY TO PRC STUDENTS AT PEKING LANGUAGE INSTITUTE, AND HOPE TO FIND VERY INEXPENSIVE LODGING IN HONG KONG UNTIL THEY CAN ARRANGE ONWARD TRANSPORTATION TO THE US.

2. REQUEST HONG KONG PASS SUBSTANCE OF THIS AND PREVIOUS CABLES TO INS DIDIR.  
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